GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4219
ANSWERED ON:18.12.2001
PASSING ON INFORMATION BY JOURNALISTS TO UNDERWORLD DONE CHHOTA SHKEEL
GADDE RAMAMOHAN;M.V.V.S MURTHI;SHIVAJI MANE

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain journalists on the crime beat have reportedly been passing on information to underworld done Chhota Shkeel;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether any inquiry has been conducted into the matter;

(d) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(e) the further steps taken by the Government in this connection?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (I.D. SWAMI)

(a)&(b): `Police` and `Public Order` are State subjects as per the Constitution of India.As such registration, investigation, detection and prevention of crime is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. No such case has come to the notice of the Intelligence Bureau, the Central Bureau of Investigation and the Delhi Police.At present the Mumbai Police is not investigating any case involving underworld links of journalists.

(c),(d)&(e): Does not arise.